A RESOLUTION BY

COUNCIL MEMBERS DERRICK BOAZMAN, JIM MADDOX, C.T. MARTIN, MARY NORWOOD, AND IVORY LEE YOUNG, JR.

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HER DESIGNEE TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A SEWER CAPACITY RECOVERY FEE IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta operates several Water Reclamation Facilities for the purpose of cleaning its waste and storm water for deposit back into the Chattahoochee Rivers and other tributaries; and

WHEREAS, new development places additional demands on the City's aging infrastructure to provide water and waste water services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta does not currently collect water, stormwater and waste water impact fees from the hundreds of developers that are tapping into the city's aging water and waste water systems annually; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Atlanta City Council that the growth within the basins of the City of Atlanta must pay its share of present and future needs for capacity in the city's treatment facilities and interceptor lines; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the members of the City Council to ensure the citizens of the City that there is and will be sufficient capacity in the city's treatment facilities and interceptor lines; and

WHEREAS, the establishment and implementation of a sewer capacity recovery fee would provide additional revenues for the Department of Watershed Management to take care of operational, maintenance and capital needs at the city's treatment facilities and interceptor lines; and

WHEREAS, the cost (a sewer capacity recovery fee) for additional capacity to serve new customers should be the result of sound professional engineering and financial analysis estimated on a per gallon per day (gpd) of average flows or some other acceptable measure.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA; that the Mayor or her designee begin the process of developing and implementing a legally sound and defensible sewer capacity recovery fee within the City of Atlanta.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or her designee start the process of developing a proposal so that an RFP can be issued and a consultant put in place to start this process as soon as possible so that the needed funds can be collected and invested into the City's aging infrastructure.

AND FINALLY, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby waived.